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from the

PRESIDENT'S DESK



Well, our plans for the A.N.A. Convention and our TEC meeting in Texas are in the works. Everything is shaping up. As of this writing which is April, I do not know what day our TEC meeting will be held. Hopefully we will get Friday August 25th but it is up to the A.N.A. convention committee what day we will get. I have also asked for a room for the TEC Board meeting which will be held at the convention too. Will write the Board members when I find out, or check with me in the hotel lobby in Texas.

This year there is a new time schedule for all meetings. So please watch for the time schedule in Coin World or the Numismatic News. Those going to the A.N.A. convention will be able to see the schedule in the A.N.A. convention booklet. All meetings will be held in the mornings at the convention, as a new format is being tried out.

We will have a surprise program planned for our TEC meeting. So if you're at the TEC meeting I hope you all can stay for the program too. If everything goes as planned I know you will enjoy it. This year we will try a few minutes of trading and selling elongated coins among the TEC members. If you have a new coin for sale, let us hear about it too. So bring a few elongate coins with you to trade with other TEC members and guests.

The Merit Award coins will be given out at our TEC meeting to some deserving members for outstanding service to TEC. This award will be given out for what a person had done in 1977. Another award which will be given is for the best article in the TEC NEWS during the year 1977. Another big award will be given for the best elongated coin exhibit. Only those who took the time out to write to let us know they will be exhibiting will be judged for this nice award. So good luck to all as we have a few members who will have an exhibit at the convention.

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I hope many of you have been working on some ideas for Philatelic Numismatic Covers. All must be made by the members with an elongated coin in them. We will give two awards out this year, one for the best owl cover and one for any other cover besides owls. So try your luck and maybe you may be the lucky person to win the award. Because some times a person only makes one or two of these covers, you do not have to donate the covers to TEC, unless you want to. This way if you only made one or two, you will be able to have them for your collection. All P.N.Covers must be cancelled two days before the TEC meeting and given to me, so they can be judged before the TEC meeting. Good luck to all who take part in this. You'd be surprised what nice ideas some people can come up with.

Another year has passed and I'd like to thank my officers for a good year. Each has done a good job through-out the year. We can't please all, but we sure try. So keep up the good work for me and all the TEC members, as we all appreciate what you are doing.

Soon our suitcases will be packed and before you know it we will be in Texas, meeting all our TEC friends again. It will be nice to see you all. This year I hope I can get out a little and see some of Texas that we all hear so much about. When I'm tired I'm sure you'll find Al and I in the hotel lobby. So stop by and say hello "Sally". See you all there and TEXAS, here we come! Bless you all.

Sally Kirka, TEC president

NOTICE!

Remember if you forgot to order your 1978 TEC badge, you are now out of luck. The order for the TEC badges has gone in and we have ordered only as many as were ordered. There's such a lack of interest shown in this TEC badge that I wonder if we should keep making it. Many members order one, then later don't buy the badge. This is not right either.

Many times we had a chance to sell the TEC badge at the convention, but had to refuse someone for not ordering one. More than one person walked away in a huff because they themselves forgot to order one, or just didn't bother reading the TEC NEWS. Don't blame us for your mistakes as we did our best to let you know about this. It's been in the last three issues to order your 1978 TEC badges before it was too late.

There are less than a 100 TEC members that buy or order this TEC badge. Many of the members order more than one. In years to come some of the members will pay good money to own one of these TEC badges. In the last few years only 150 badges or less were made. All the badges are made on quarters and are made by Bob Luchtman who does an outstanding job every year on the badges.

See Al Kirka secretary, for your TEC badge at the convention, or mail for the one you have ordered in October for \$3.30. They are \$3.00 at the convention.

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Photos sent in with articles or ads must be sent to us already screened for printing, as our budget does not allow for this screening process. Sharp and clear newspaper photos can be used as these have already been screened for printing, and if they are not to large. Derogatory articles will not be printed.

NOTICE!

ALL ADVERTISERS

New rates are now in effect for ads in TEC NEWS as passed by board action in Miami, Florida, August 14, 1974.

Price of "Camera ready" copy to remain the same, but if set up by editor, which will be a typewriter set-up with no art work, the price for ads will be doubled.

Camera ready - Full page ad \$10.00,	$\frac{1}{2}$ page \$6.00	$\frac{1}{4}$ page \$3.50
Editor setup - Full page ad \$20.00,	$\frac{1}{2}$ page \$12.00	$\frac{1}{4}$ page \$7.00

DEADLINE NOTICE

DEADLINE DATES FOR NEXT ISSUE

Ads - Aug. 12th

Articles - Aug. 14th

WHY WAS THIS COIN ROLLED?

by Lloyd E. Wagaman TEC #33
Camby, Indiana

I wonder how many collectors have ever given a thought to why certain coins were rolled. This article is not concerned with why a certain subject was chosen, but more with the thought as to how and to whom they would be distributed. I believed that from the beginning of elongated coins (1893) up until about 1963 elongated coins were rolled at about 95% for souvenirs and the remaining 5% as advertising pieces. It is my belief that since 1965, 75% of all elongated coins that were rolled with expectation or at least hopes of being disposed of in the market of collectors. If there was no collectors market at all, I doubt if the elongated coin production would exceed 25% of present figures.

A small percentage of elongated coins are designed and rolled with the main target of sales being to souvenirs hunters. In most of these cases the machine is set up near a famous tourist attraction, with the coin being designed as a souvenir of the attraction and the coin is rolled on the spot. Of course many of these rollers also look to the collector for sales, advertising their wares in coin and hobby publications.

One group of elongated coins that I believe deserve specific mention are those that are rolled to be used as awards, convention badges, or membership coins. These are rolled by a variety of rollers and most were used by T.E.C. and other elongated clubs. Although these were rolled for the collector, most were not rolled with any sales in mind as most have been donated to the clubs with no profit what ever to the roller.

I would like to point out a few different examples of my own productions. The very first two elongated coins I produced were the Indiana Sesquicentennial pieces of 1966. I was very much enthused with having obtained a rolling machine and knowing I could produce the rolled out souvenirs. At this point I was more concerned with making a nice souvenir of my home state sesquicentennial than I was with making something to sell to collectors. However sales to the souvenir people were very low and if it hadn't been for the added market to the collectors I would have lost considerably. Being new in the game, those first two dies came terribly expensive. However I got hooked on the hobby and decided if I could lower my die costs and also depend on the collector market I could make an entire Statehood Series. My die costs were lowered and the series was completed and although not really a profitable venture, I did not operate at a loss. However my point is that the series was made with sales to the collector in mind.

Probably the second largest group of elongated coins would be those classed as advertising pieces or store cards. These could include not only coins made for advertising a business, but also those issued by many coin clubs and other groups advertising or announcing a future date of a coin or other type shows. I believe this category should also include personal pieces of those who advertise they are a collector of certain material. There is also a great many personal pieces which should be considered as memorial pieces, which should include those which cause a metallic memorial to such things as births, deaths, weddings, anniversary, graduations or accomplishment of certain feats. Also in this group would be those naming a person or group along with a greeting such as Christmas or New Years. Holiday coins not naming a person or group should be considered as rolled primarily with the collector in mind.

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WHY WAS THIS COIN ROLLED?

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I would like to point out that there are specific coins which would have to be included in one of the above groups which had different factors responsible for them having been rolled. For example my early pieces which I called semi-elongated which would definitely be in the group made especially for collectors might also be considered as in a class of their own. It was an entirely new and original idea and a challenge to perfect. Another along this line was the 1976 Calendar elongated coin. These were made with the collector in mind, but the challenge was so great I would have made them even if I had known none could be sold. I have several along this line and I'm sure most rollers do also.

I recently rolled a coin which presently has not been released to the collectors, but which was rolled for a reason I believe is most unique. My son-in-law who lives in the Lake Erie marshland area at Port Clinton, Ohio is a small animal trapper, specializing in muskrat for the pelts. He received permission to trap on State owned property and one of the requirements necessary for this permission is that each trap be tagged with a metal tag bearing the name and address of the trapper. He asked me to make his tags and of course I made them as elongated cents. They have only his name, GEO. CUTCHER with street address and PORT CLINTON, OHIO. I rolled 175 pieces for him with all having been rolled long to provide a spot outside the border for a hole to be drilled in order to attach to the trap. I rolled 125 pieces at normal length which will be offered to the collectors when I release my next group of approvals. It would be my guess that over a period of time most of the long tailed holed pieces will be lost in the marshland and very few will ever find their way into a collection, but should you ever come across one you should readily determine if it is one I sold to a collector, or one that was used on a trap.

In closing this article I would like to point out that regardless of all the reasoning I've offered above that, anytime a roller offers his elongated coins for sale to the collectors very few would have been rolled if it wasn't for the collector. In other words in order to exist as a roller or a collector, we need each other. Support our hobby and each other by your support of T.E.C.

NEW ISSUES - - - NEW ISSUES - - - - NEW ISSUES

Lloyd E. Wagaman, Route 1, Box 195-D, Camby, Indiana 46113 has some new issues that he has put out lately. They are \$1.00 each, plus a self stamped addressed envelope. As always Lloyd does a very nice job of hand engraving on his dies, so to me these coins are a collectors dream to own one. I wouldn't wait to long before I sent in for the elongated coins. I have the elongated coins in front of me so when I say the coins are nice I know what I'm talking about. I also received a sample of the destroyed dies so you know after these are sold no more will be made. The list of the new issues are:

OHIO-#2	- GEO. CUTCHER, PORT CLINTON, OHIO	- - - - -	Mintage 305
IND.-#39	- RALPH KING - COLUMBIA CITY, IND.	- - - - -	Mintage 257
IND.-#40	- VIRGINIA KING - COLUMBIA CITY, IND.	- - - - -	Mintage 257
IND.-#41	- MIKES COIN SHOP - MARTINSVILLE, IND.	- - - - -	Mintage 358
	5¢ IN TRADE		
IND.-#42	- VILLAGE BARBER SHOP - MOORESVILLE, IND.	- - - - -	Mintage 355
	25¢ IN TRADE		
MISC.#20	- 1978 LUCKY CENT	- - - - -	Mintage 158

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY SALLY

by Al Kirka TEC #450
Manchester, Conn.



After my wife Sally and I finished the April issue of the TEC NEWS, you'd think Sally would relax and take it easy. I know I like to rest up a little when I can and was hoping Sally would too.

Since early February Sally got some bright ideas for an anniversary P.N.Cover. She is no artist as the saying goes, but can draw some very nice things. One idea that Sally had was to draw three roses with leaves in one corner of the envelope. How she figured all this out I really do not know, but she decided she'd do everything herself.

First of all I thought it would be a little easier to draw the flowers on one envelope and have the printer print more. Sally told me it costs just as much to have a few printed as it would more. So night after night I watched her draw the roses with pencil first, then go over it with a black marking pen. This was slow work, so she kept this up night after night until she had enough made for herself. As I watched her art work progress-

ing I shook my head saying, "if I didn't see you do this I wouldn't believe you did this yourself. Believe me she really did a beautiful job and I myself know I could never do something like that.

After she had enough envelopes made, she started hand painting the roses. Now the painting takes time and easy does it all the way. One slip of your brush and you'd spoil the envelope. Sometimes she would use only one color and let it dry and then start on another color. This takes time and a lot of patience. As she was painting the envelope Sally put another piece of paper in the envelope just in case the paint went thru. So you had to remember what you were doing at all times.

Now when you use the oil base paints you must dry the envelopes very good and this could take two or three weeks as Sally's did. So for a few days Sally had envelopes all around the living room. Where ever you looked you saw roses of all different colors. By now Sally was getting good at this and was trying out other ideas. She was so busy at times I had to ask her if it was alright to talk to her. So busy was my gal Sal.

Now you can type "HAPPY ANNIVERSARY" on the envelope before you paint, or like Sally did after she painted them. She had to figure out exactly where to start typing or one mistake and you've ruined the envelope. This is what I meant, it would have been easier to draw one and let the printer print some more. With Sally she had to do it the hard way and do every envelope herself. There is a trick you can use and all the envelopes will come out looking very nice as Sally's did.

When the envelopes were dried and I thought what a nice job she did, Sally decided to add on to the roses. So night after night my gal Sal added on more leaves to the roses and painted them. This again took a lot of hours to finish all the envelopes.

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY SALLY

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Now the envelopes looked really great and again they were all around the living room drying. A few nights later I got up about 5 a.m. to find Sally again working on these envelopes. This time she told me she added a butterfly to some envelopes and the idea looked so nice she would do this to all. Of course the envelopes look very nice, but so help me I wouldn't have the patience to do this night after night as she did. I was lucky to get one for myself as Sally said, "The rest will be given out to our family at our anniversary party. These will be canceled here in Manchester, Connecticut where we both were born and married."

EXHIBITING MAKES GOOD READING TOO

by Sally Kirka TEC #16
Manchester, Conn.

Haven't heard if anyone has exhibited their elongated coins lately. If you have, why not write an article about your exhibit and earn yourself a TEC NEWS elongated coin.

Just lately I had an exhibit of my own P.N.Covers and won a nice trophy. Now to some these Philatelic Numismatic Covers with elongated coins are something new and many take a second look. Not every one is interested in them, but I see many at coin shows stop and look at the covers. Some ask to buy what I have in my cases but what I have is for my own collection and not for sale. Others just look, smile and walk away.

There are many ways to exhibit your elongated coins. If we are to get more people interested in collecting elongated coins, it will be nice to have the TEC members exhibit more often at coin shows in their areas. So if you have a chance, why not make that exhibit you have been meaning to do. Try your luck and maybe you too will win a trophy.

As for me, I'll keep on exhibiting as I really enjoy making up new ideas for my exhibits. I think a Christmas exhibit is the best to work with. There are so many nice ways you could exhibit your Christmas elongated coins. There are plenty of Christmas decorations you could use in your exhibit to make it stand out.

So if any of you members that have made an exhibit lately write in and tell us about it and earn yourself a TEC NEWS coin. You can bet we will be interested in reading about it. It's also a good idea of how to exchange ideas with one another. Think elongated coins all the time.

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SOME DATA ABOUT THE HOUSE OF ELONGATEDS

by Lee Martin, N.L.G. TEC #129
Beaumont, California.

The House of Elongateds actually had its formative years as early as 1968 when Lee Martin created the artwork for Warren Bunge's elongated coins. With this technical background, Lee became interested in the creative side of the hobby. Numerous suggestions for elongated coin subjects were activated by Bob Gamson and Claude Thomas in their LCS or Lido Coin Shop releases. Ultimately, Claude purchased the machine from Bob and Lee purchased Warren Bunge's machine. Claude and Lee then formed a partnership under the House of Elongateds banner. All dies owned by the prior companies went into the House of Elongateds stockpile. Because of extensive travel by Thomas to Lee's Beaumont office, it was agreed that Lee would purchase Claude's share of the business. An amicable business relationship ended.

Ron Chatham agreed to etch dies and handle the mailing in return for a partnership with Lee. Lee continued to do the artwork, although suggestions were welcomed from readers and a prize stretched quarter given to those whose suggestions were accepted.

Many collectors indicate they would like to own elongated machines and become rollers. The price is often inflated for machines, but jewelers' rolling mills are available from wholesale jewelry supply houses. Their purpose is to stretch metal. They range in price from \$150. to \$750. and they will make excellent elongated machines. Some readjustment is necessary to allow dies to be easily interchanged. However, this warning must be stressed: The most difficult part of the hobby is creation of the dies. Owning a machine can be very discouraging if fees from \$35. to \$100. per die must be paid. It is difficult to break even and profits are rarely achieved when costs are high.

The House of Elongateds produced more than four hundred dies during its life and was sold to a Mr. Kantor of Chicago. He is the owner of a large vending machine company and paid \$5,000.00 for the purchase of the two elongated machines and all dies. The dies all have a dot added to the field. Credit for the suggestion goes to Angelo Rosato and Gus Meccarello. Collectors owning House of Elongated original issues have the Type I coins. Practically all low-mintage coins with an average run of fifty Cents and ten Dimes. There are some popular issues that were substantially higher. Should coins appear in the future from the dies, they will be labeled Type II. Mr. Kantor apparently feels that he does not have time to become involved in the elongated hobby or business, so it is doubtful if you will be seeing House of Elongated coins in the near future. Unless the dies are properly stored, time and rust may wind up completing the House of Elongateds saga.

Incidentally, I believe that anyone with \$5,000 could repurchase the equipment from the Chicago owner. The price includes the largest mailing list in the hobby. The names were developed through COINage Magazine's advertisers. The House of Elongateds made it a practice to include a Newsletter which was intended to be informative and also depict available coins in a recognizable format. It is my understanding these Newsletters are now collector items. Unlike most businesses, the House of Elongateds was sold because it became too successful. In my position as Director of Advertising for Behn-Miller

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SOME DATA ABOUT THE HOUSE OF ELONGATEDS

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Publications (which include COINage, ROCK & GEM, COIN COLLECTOR'S YEARBOOK, OLD TRAILS AND POPULAR BRIDGE) I found that making elongateds, which was a pleasurable hobby, demanded too much time to keep it at that level.

As I look back at the House of Elongateds I am happy to know that I have contributed to our hobby via coin designs, coins and information. Perhaps someday when I retire I may rejoin the world of "rollers", but that is a long way off. Hopeful, House of Elongateds is a fond memory that many of you will retain.

WORLD'S FIRST AIRLINER

by Joe Rakaskas TEC #64
Paterson, N.J

I have an elongated coin with the Logo Study Lawsonomy - The Knowledge of Life and everything pertaining thereto. An engraving showing an aeroplane with #678 at each end of wing (with name) Alfred Lawson (in between) (underneath plane) 1919 VTSP 1970 World's 1st airliner.

When I received the elongated coin there were four copies of a small tabloid called "Benefactor" copy written 1945 by Alfred Lawson in the package, including a reprint of a 1938 edition. Being busy at the time I just filed it in a cabinet with everything.

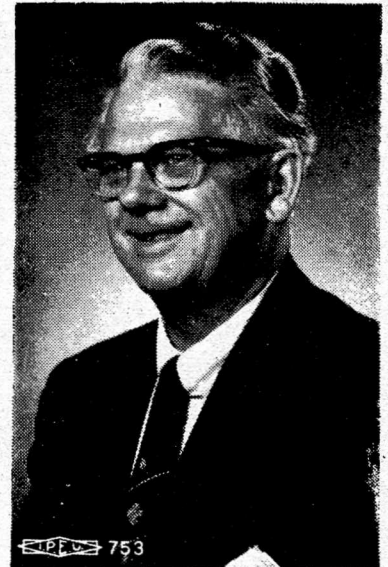
While rummaging thru the file one day, I came across the tabloids and became curious, then decided to read them. I came up with the following facts concerning this man who was way ahead of the times.

In December 1912 Alfred Lawson sent a message to Congress that was published in the Congressional record in February 1913 (pages 3354-3355). It was the first document of its kind in history. William Sharp of Ohio, who introduced this message apologized for Mr. Lawson's asking for \$10,000,000 dollars with which to build an American Air Fleet.

His further efforts to establish an aircraft industry and airlines is substantiated by copies of letters in the "Benefactor" from Champ Clark Speaker of the House of Representatives dated January 21, 1913 - from the White House a letter from Secretary to President dated January 24, 1913. Also a letter from the Bureau of Navigation Navy Department, Secretary of Navy dated January 29, 1913.

His failure to convince the government did not deter this resourceful man from his goal of starting an air fleet.

In the year of 1919, Alfred Lawson had his first airliner flying over New York Harbor on its way to Washington D.C., the Lawson C-1 Biplane - 26 passengers.



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THE OLDEST FAIR IN THE NATION

by Jack W. Gladfelter TEC #18
Seven Valleys, Pa.

The York Inter-State Fair, York, Pennsylvania, had its beginning in 1765, 11 years before the nation's birth, making it the oldest Fair in America.

The Fair was first held in 1765 under a charter signed by Thomas Penn, son of William Penn, founder of Pennsylvania. Under that charter, York was granted the privilege "forever hereafter" of holding two Fairs in a year, one in the spring and the other in the fall.

After fifty years, the original series of historic Fairs came to an end in 1815. Thirty-six years later, in the year 1851, the Fair idea was revived. From that time on, with the exception of two years, an annual Fair was held in York. In 1855, it was "deemed inexpedient" to conduct a Fair in York "in view of the State Agricultural Fair being held in Harrisburg." In 1918, due to the war-time and epidemic of influenza, the scheduled Fair was cancelled and the fair buildings and grounds were used for hospitalization of those afflicted with this dread disease.

The Fair was held at two locations from its beginning until 1887 when a farm of seventy-three acres along with subsequent purchases of land in West Manchester Township, became the site of the present York Inter-State Fair Ground.

The first Fair was held on the present ground, October 2-5, 1888. Today its 120 acre enclosure is a model of permanent fair construction and maintenance. When the fair is not being held the ground is used for religious, patriotic, civic and local gatherings.

As an American History buff, a collector of all sorts of memorabilia, including coins, stamps, elongated coins, P.N.Covers, wood flats, covers, etc., this historic Fair, held in my own back-yard, so to speak, was a natural subject for PNC commemoration.

I have never made PNC's for commercial production and while I sometimes make as many as five or six of one design, my productions are usually unique. I am "just a little guy" so maybe my P.N.C creations will not mean much to established collectors. To me however, these little portraits of history, whether good or valuable to anyone else or not, are still priceless to me.

I enjoy making things with my own hands, a little something to leave behind, to remember me by. Most probably, my grand-daughter will inherit these mementos unless you members of TEC and SPAN or someone else believe them to be sufficiently historically valuable for a permanent collection or placement in a museum where they will be safe from destruction.

Only a few of each design of the York Fair covers were produced. Most have been canceled on the front and back and a number have been autographed by the Fair manager.

When producing the York Fair covers I tried to get the stamps which would tie in with the event. This is the first time in history that we know of, that a special cancellation was available for the Fair.

The White Rose Stamp Club worked with the post office in arranging for the cancellation. (York City is known as "White Rose City"). The Fair manager was most cooperative and provided the admission tickets I inserted in two of the covers. As far as is known, these are the only two PNC's containing the admission tickets.

The "ticketed" covers were made from official cacheted, size 10 Fair envelopes. The stamp is the 13¢ flag over capitol, canceled with the fair station cancellation on Sept. 15, 1977.

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In addition to the inserted admission ticket, an elongated coin commemorating the fair is inserted. The elongated coins were rolled at the fair. The identity of the roller is unknown. Only two covers of this design were produced.

Two covers similar to the ticket bearing covers were produced. These P.N.C's carry three 5¢ Circus stamps, the official fair cancellation and the elongated penny as the numis.

Continuing with the Fair theme, two monarch size envelopes with the Circus stamps, Fair cancellation and elongated cent were also produced. An identical cover except for being a standard size 6 envelope was made too. One of the monarch covers and the single size 6 cover has the plate block number included with the strip of three Circus stamps.

Editor's note: Jack had some pictures with this article of his covers, but they could not be used as they were to faded.

MY FIRST P.N.C'S

by Richard Townsend TEC #365
Rochester, N.Y.

After reading our president Sally Kirka's article on making the Philatelic Numismatic Covers brought back some memories of my first efforts to make my own covers.

In 1975, I decided that I would incorporate my first elongated coin into Philatelic Numismatic Covers and by having them cancelled at the A.N.A. Convention in Los Angeles, I would have a nice memento of their first issue.

Now came the part of what would I use for the envelopes to make the P.N.Covers? Fortunately, I work for Boise Cascade Company's envelope division and that problem was quickly solved when two boxes of a special grade bond envelopes were found as an overrun not wanted by our customer were offered to me.

Using my x-acto knife, I began experimenting with some cut-outs on the envelopes. Now trying to shape the opening to fit the elongated coin was a job, either my hand was too shaky, or I was too nervous, but the results were disastrous. Finally I asked one of our foremen at work if he had any objections to cutting some panels for me in a slack time and the answer was no. So I got busy and cut some cardboard inserts and inserted them into the large envelopes and the panels were cut out of about 100 envelopes. For the covering over the inserts, I used some sheet protectors purchased at a local store and then cut to size to fit. The black inserts were kept too. After flattening out the elongated coins, I was now ready.

After trying out several methods of holding the elongated coins in place I found the easiest was a strip of double faced tape on back of the elongated coin, then applied against the insert or plastic with a bit of pressure had worked the best. In Los Angeles, with the black inserts, I made several "back to back" P.N.Covers, utilizing the extra elongated coins, tokens, etc, that I had picked up at the A.N.A. convention. Though experience has now broadened my efforts, these first covers will always be my favorites. So if I can do it, why not you give it a try and see what you can do.

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HELLO SALLY

by Abe Geftter TEC #121
New York, N.Y.

Some time ago I reported to you about my trip to San Francisco and how one Sunday morning while strolling on Fisherman's Wharf, famous for its restaurants and tourists, I came upon a roller who was rolling souvenir pennies of the Golden Gate Bridge, famous Cable Car and the Fisherman's Wharf (all on a penny) on a beautiful nickel plated machine.

Before that time I saw A.A. Rosato demonstrate how he rolled the pennies at the A.N.A. convention in Boston several years back. I have never encountered a roller on a street since then in any city I have visited in the United States and I travel extensively.

I have lived in New York City practically all my life and walk the city streets constantly and never saw a roller on a New York City street doing his "thing", but luck stroke like lightning about a week ago. While I was walking down 42nd Street I came upon a roller on the corner of 6th Avenue, near Bryant Park.

Overjoyed to meet up with a roller on a N.Y.C. street I stopped in my tracks. The roller was a young man in his twenties was rolling "The Lords Prayer" on 1977 pennies on a shiny rolling machine like the one I saw in San Francisco. The man wore a chain around his neck with an elongated coin about New York and it read, "I'M CRAZY ABOUT" below the dotted border and in center an apple draped on the bottom with a ribbon. Within the ribbon, the legend "THE BIG APPLE" and within the apple several buildings, supposedly the New York skyline.

I introduced myself as a long time collector of elongated coins by showing him my 1978 Tec membership elongated penny and also a Statue of Liberty elongated coin, both of which I carry with me all the time. I also told him that I have an extensive collection of elongated coins.

The man became intrigued, as he never heard about "TEC" or the TEC NEWS, or that there are hundreds of collectors of elongated coins. I then asked him if he owned the rolling machine? He told me he is working for the Simon Novelty Company, 10 Banta Place, Hackensack, N.J. 07601. (An ad of the Simon Novelty appeared in the Coin World, dated April 19, 1978 along side of another ad of Coin Gallery of San Francisco. Although the top of the machines appear to be the same, the bases are different. The Simon Novelty machine has a short but heavy base, while the S.F. Coin Gallery machine is thinner.) What is interesting about the two machines is that the Coin Gallery of the S.F. machine is brass plated. Another interesting thing, the Simon Novelty Company is owned by a Mr. Peter Surlak and the same address as the Simon Novelty Co.

Going back to the roller, I asked him to sell me the "BIG APPLE" elongated coin which I bought. I also paid him for several others which he mailed to me within a few days. The man's name is Hank Gonnella, 100 Manhattan Ave., Union City, New Jersey 07087.

Enclosed are two BIG APPLE elongated coins, one for you Sally and one for Al. I hope you enjoy the "BIG APPLE" as much as I do.

Editors note: Thanks Abe, the coin is really beautiful.

WE NEED TEC NEWS ARTICLES - - - SEND THEM IN NOW

DEADLINE DATES FOR NEXT ISSUE - ADS AUG. 12th - ARTICLES AUG. 14th

FRENCH ALLIANCE STAMP

by Sally Kirka TEC #16
Manchester, Conn.

I received a nice surprise from A TEC member who recently became a roller of elongated coins.

In the letter that Ray Wagner Jr. sent me, he gave me a beautiful First Day Cover of the French Alliance stamp, which by the way is his own design. The First Day Cover has already been canceled in York, Pa., on May 4, 1978. Its really a nice F.D.C. Ray wrote me he has a few of these covers left for 50¢ each, plus a S.S.A.E.

With this first day cover I also received a real beautiful elongated coin of York, Pa. The city of York, Pa., was once called the White Rose City. So Ray had his engraver make a die of a rose for an elongated coin to honor the city. Believe me the elongated coin is really very nice. I looked at the coin and then at the cover and I knew they belonged together.

So you know me, I got busy and cut out an elongated window in the envelope and cardboard and put the elongated coin in. Now my First Day Cover is a Philatelic Numismatic Cover. You can't say they don't go together as it also has York, Pa., on it. That did the trick and this cover will be added to my collection of beautiful P. N.Covers. The cover looks so nice I have to buy a few more covers and coins, so I can make a couple more for my collection. Maybe I can make one or two for trading later on. I'll still keep one as a first day cover, but will add a coin to another as I did to the first one.

I'm not sure but I think the elongated coin sells for 50¢ each, plus a S.S.A.E. too. For more information, please write to R. Ray Wagner Jr., P.O. Box 3417, York, Pa., 17402

I see that Ray has his "R.W" or mint mark as I call it now on his elongated coin. Now when you see the R.W. you will know that Ray Wagner Jr. of York, Pa., rolled the coin. Good luck to you Ray and may you roll many more nice elongated coins. Thanks again for the coin and first day cover.

NOTES OF INTEREST

I saw a nice picture of Jack Gladfelter's two show case exhibit of his P.N.Covers with elongated coins. The exhibit was so good that Jack won the "Best of Show" with it. Now thats saying something for TEC, when the P.N.Covers with elongated coins can win a Best of Show. Congratulations to you Jack and may you win many more. I love to hear when some of our TEC members win, as I know they are doing a good job of letting others see and hear about our elongated coins. I'm proud of you Jack, keep up the good work.

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Jack Wilcox wrote in that he caught up with the coin dealer that had the Statue of Liberty unlisted coin. Sorry to hear that the coin was already sold. It makes you wonder, who is the lucky person who did buy the elongated coin?

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I myself went to a flea market to see what I could find. Here in Connecticut a flea market is just that and didn't see any coins sold at all. One thing I did see was two Kewpie dolls for sale and I thought of Marie Trinny. I showed the dolls to Al and he said, so thats the Kewpie doll that Marie has on an elongated coin! I bet as we look around we all would find one of these dolls in our attic.

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DEADLINE FOR TEC ARTICLES IS AUGUST 14th, PLEASE SEND IN EARLY

NOTES OF INTEREST

Alice Penzes of Detroit, Michigan has been in sick bay with a dislocated shoulder. Ouch, but that hurts! Hope you are feeling better when you read this Alice. Just get better for your trip to Texas, as we are looking forward to seeing you in Houston. Also hope your son is much better now.

Another of our TEC members who has been sick for awhile is our friend Harold Snyder of Kalamazoo, Michigan. Hope you are feeling better now. Our prayers go with you Harold and remember the old saying, "Don't stay sick, get well quick." Spring is in the air, so maybe this will help you get better.

Received another article about the Kewpie doll elongated coin. Read the interesting article by Marie Trinny on another page. The elongated pennies sell for a \$1. each and the clad dimes sell for a \$1.50 each plus a stamped self-addressed envelope. Members can write to Mrs. Marie Trinny, P.O. Box 2625, Yountville, California 94599.

Jack Gladfelter of Seven Valleys, Pa., had a bad fall and broke his ankle and tore the ligaments in his leg. Easy does it Jack and we hope your leg is healing up. This winter has been a bad year for our members. Lets hope we have better luck in the coming months. Lets all stay healthy.

Even our secretary Al Kirka, is having his problems with one of his eyes. When he gets up in the morning the eye really looks bad. One morning he got up and could just about see and the other eye was playing tricks on him. That morning we both landed in the doctors office. We are doing better now, and as I told Al we are just getting old. For us sick or not we have to stay healthy to get the TEC NEWS out.

Have received a very nice letter from Cliff Roth who has a rolling machine now and is now trying out his machine. He sent me a sample of one of the elongated coins that he had rolled out and he did a very good job. I have a feeling we will hear more from him when he gets a few dies made and goes to town rolling coins. Give him a little time and I bet he will have some nice elongated coins.

Mr. Roth also told me he will also give a program and will show colored slides of elongated coins at the Northrop Coin Club in Calif. Good luck Cliff and hope your program works out well for you.

Just heard how Elmer Anderson was in the hospital this winter. Lets hope when you read this, you will be better. He was out of the hospital as of this writing and is now home. Stay healthy.

Our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Canary of 5425 Sunnyshore Lane, Janesville, Wis., 53545 on the loss of Mrs. Canary's brother this past March. Its never too late to send a card to our friends. Although we have seen Mr. and Mrs. Canary many times at the A.N.A. conventions, its only a year ago that Mr. Canary joined TEC. These nice folks don't expect to be in Texas this year, but you can bet we will see them in St. Louis next year.

NOTES OF INTEREST

Mrs. Pearl Crabb of Colorado Springs wrote in that she attended the mini A.N.A. Convention in Colorado Springs. She also wrote of the exhibit of elongated coins she had at the convention. So our elongated coins were not forgotten and I think it was nice of Mrs. Crabb to do this. Judging from her letter Mrs. Crabb had some nice elongated coins in her exhibit. Sorry we missed out on seeing your exhibit. In a way we were lucky we didn't go to Colorado Springs as we were fighting big snow-storms here in Connecticut. Believe me for us to leave here, just wasn't the time of the year to go traveling around. Keep up the good work Mrs. Crabb and maybe we may still some day see your nice exhibit.

A happy belated birthday to you Pearl, and may you enjoy many more of them.

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Jack W. Gladfelter fell on the ice in February and broke his ankle bone and did more damage to his leg. As of this writing Jack has his leg in a cast up to his knee. We are all sorry to hear this and hope by the time you read this you will be getting better. Its never to late to send a card of cheer to him. His address is P.O. L.B. - 173, Seven Valleys, Pa. 17360.

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Just received two new issues of elongated coins from Elmer Anderson of The Pontiac Press, 35 Greenwich Ave., Warwick, Rhode Island 02886. One elongated coin is of the new mini Indian stamp made as an experimental issue. The other elongated coin is of the Space Shuttle plane with the small plane on top of it. This is a must for all you collectors who collect elongated coins with planes. These coins sell for 75¢ each on pennies and \$1.25 each on dimes, plus a S.S.A.E. If interested why not send for them now. Mr. Anderson also has many nice P.N.Covers for sale with elongated coins in them. So why not ask for his price list when sending for your order of elongated coins. This is your chance to start your collection of Philatelic Numismatic Covers with elongated coins. This also makes a very nice exhibit and you will see visitors stop and look at your exhibit. I won an award everytime I exhibited my covers. This is something new to the hobby, but it makes our elongated coins stand out in those P.N.Covers. Don't forget that S.S.A.E. even when you're only asking for a price list. Postage keeps going up every year.

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A special thanks goes to all the TEC members who have helped our young lady of 83 years of age by sending her elongated coins so she could get started over again after she was robbed of all her elongated coins. Mrs. Grace Morrison of Youngstown, Ohio is very well pleased for receiving all the nice coins and sends her thanks to you all. Mrs. Morrison received some elongated coins from someone in Maine, but the person did not give his or her name. Mrs. Morrison would like to write a letter of thanks to this kind person, so thank you who ever you are. I as president of TEC also want to thank all the kind and generous members of our great elongated coin club who were so kind and helped Grace get started over again. That young gal is as busy as a bee making an exhibit of all her coins to show at her local coin club meeting.

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THREE PLEASANT SURPRISES

by Robert J. Dadson TEC #550
Carlstadt, N.J.

My wife and I received some pleasant surprises this past winter and I must say they were all very nice.

My first surprise came in April when my wife Lee and I received a Philatelic Numismatic Cover from Sally and Al Kirka for our 30th wedding anniversary. This P.N. Cover was special made by our TEC president Sally Kirka. On the envelope Sally drew and hand painted three roses with plenty of leaves and a butterfly up above the roses. On the elongated coin it said Happy Anniversary and also has two bells and plenty of ribbons on it. On the bottom is a tiny rose. Sally also hand painted this coin special for us. She said anyone married 30 years deserves a nice elongated coin. So as to keep this as a surprise to us Sally had this envelope canceled on April 4, 1978 at the Manchester, Connecticut postoffice on the day of our anniversary. On the envelope Sally also typed out "Happy Anniversary", to Bob and Lee Dadson. As this is one of a kind you can bet we were pleased to receive it and will always treasure it.

The second surprise was presented to me at the Northern Valley Coin Club Anniversary party on April 28th. It was the Edward Black award for outstanding work done for the club for the year 1977. Ed Black is also a member of TEC and a personal friend of ours and had founded the Northern Valley Coin Club. This award was started after Edward Black had moved to Florida. Again I was very grateful to have the honor of receiving this award.

The third surprise came at the Greater Eastern Numismatic Association board meeting of which I am a board member. This was on a Saturday, May 6th, when I was presented with a set of 1977 (GENA) elongated coins. In the set of elongated coins were a penny, dime, nickel, quarter and a half dollar and a trail piece put in by Dottie Dow. Thank you Dottie. I was very thrilled to get this set which is one of a kind cause all the GENA elongated coins were all rolled on pennies.

Now who will say good things don't come in three's as they sure did for me.

At this time I also would like to say a great big thank you to all my friends in TEC, who have been buying the elongated coins from me. Without your orders when I was selling the GENA elongated coins for them and our other club, my second and third surprises would not have been possible.

To Sally and Al thank you very much for that anniversary P.N. Cover you made special for us. This means a lot knowing you made this all yourself.

NOTE OF INTEREST

George Kesterson, 612 N.W. 5th St., Mineral Wells, Texas 76067 has a very nice elongated coin of Elvis Presley, so all you fans out there can buy this coin for \$1.00 plus a S.S.A.E. George also has a beautiful Lord's Prayer and its a little different from others I've seen. For interested buyers why not send for your elongated coins now. Many of you going to Texas this August can buy some of his nice coins while you are there.

Remember we are asking the members who want to trade or sell some of their elongated coins at our TEC meeting you may do so. This exchange is between the members only at our meeting. I bet many of you members have plenty of nice coins you may want to trade with the other members.

SPOTTING OWLS ALONG THE HIGHWAYS

by Barbara Izzo TEC #662
Carlstadt, N.J.

Since my last story in the TEC NEWS I have met a few friends that also collect owls. A few weeks ago my girl friend and her husband gave me a very pretty stick pin with an owl on it to add to my growing collection of owls. Since I had an owl elongated coin made I have been collecting owls too. I was also given three beautiful pins with an owl on them which I didn't have. I have made many nice owl jewelry pins and necklaces myself and sell them all the time. I had given some as door prizes for the TEC meeting in New York. I was hoping more rollers would make more elongated coins with owls on them so we could all add them to our collections. I think the TEC owl has made more members take a second look at owls.

One week in May my husband John and I went on an all day trip with the senior citizens from our hometown to upper New York state. We were all enjoying the trip and enjoying the scenery along the way. As we were driving by some trees and large bushes, to my surprise I looked up to see a brown owl sitting on the limb of the large bush. The driver slowed up a little to let us see and the owl was brown and also had a little black around the head.

As we drove further along the way, my husband John noticed another owl in a large tree. Since the traffic was heavy we asked the bus driver to slow up a little so we could have a better look and maybe we could spot more owls. Sure enough as we drove by some more large trees we saw three white owls and one brown owl. I could not believe my eyes. Yet many of the other folks riding with us also saw the owls. It got so interesting to everyone on the bus, that they were all on the look-out for owls. It was kind of fun as every one wanted to spot an owl first. Even the bus driver said to me, "now you've seen your owls." You know yourself its not every day you can spot owls!

A week later I went with John who had some business he had to attend to. I was sitting in the car waiting for John when I heard a funny noise up in a tree and looked up to see an owl sitting there. I got out of the car and walked over nearer to the owl. I thought he'd fly away, but the owl wouldn't move. I looked at the owl again and said, "Hoot-hoot" and would you believe, he answered back. How I wished I had my camera with me so I could have taken a picture of the owl. It sure looked so pretty. It reminded me a lot of our TEC owl standing there so proudly.

I enjoyed the article that Richard Townsend of Rochester, N.Y. wrote about the owls. Maybe these owl stories will give the rollers ideas so they will make elongated coins with owls on them.

NOTICE



Remember folks our TEC annual meeting will be at the Astro Village Hotel, in Houston, Texas sometime during the week of August 20-27, 1978. We hope to see as many of our TEC members as we can. If you can't make the TEC meeting at least stop by and say hello to us in the lobby of the hotel. As if you only knew how tired my feet get, you'll know you will find us resting there every chance we get. If I know Al he will be falling asleep as always. So if you can't find us anywhere just look for us in the lobby. We will be staying at the Astro Village Hotel. I want to see and meet as many of our TEC members as I can. As yet I do not know the date of our TEC meeting, so look for the listing in your A.N.A. convention booklet.

THE 1978 TEC NEWS COINS

by Sally Kirka TEC #16
Manchester, Conn.

For this July issue I had to send out an S.O.S., Letters to a few faithful TEC members asking them to help in sending in an article for the TEC NEWS. For this I'm very grateful as all but one member answered my letter within a week and sent in an article. Thanks again folks for helping me.

Its a shame that I have to keep asking for articles as there are so many members who have never written an article for the TEC NEWS. I wish they would give it a try. I'm really grateful to those members who always write. With-out their help there would be no TEC NEWS. There for awhile we had no articles, so I had to send out an S.O.S. Remember folks its up to you if you want a newsletter, so start thinking and send in those articles.

Even a beautiful coin that is made special and donated by Lloyd E. Wagaman doesn't seem to do the trick. Yet the only way you can get this elongated coin is by sending in an article for the TEC NEWS. If its not rejected, or not sent in late it will be used. You have to earn this coin yourself. These coins will some day sell for a very high price because of the limit of coins rolled. All are numbered, so each one gets a different number. So why not give it a try while your sitting enjoying the summer. Write an article of 250 words or more and earn yourself this beautiful elongated coin. You won't be sorry.

No articles will be returned. Articles should be written so they can be read, better still type it if you can. Articles will be rejected if aimed to hurt anyone in any way. I love everyone and don't want to lose any friends. So be kind and just write about the elongated coins and keep us all happy. No one is perfect.

Don't be a complainer, be a joiner. If you want better articles why not write one. Those that do write are doing the best they can. I'm sure we all will appreciate hearing from you. Send all articles to Sally Kirka, 116 Oak Street, Manchester, Conn. 06040. Give it a try as your article may be the one to win the Literary Award.

All names below have earned a TEC NEWS coin for the April issue.

18. - From the President's Desk - - - - - Sally Kirka #16
19. - Rocky Fords Watermelon Day Celebration - - Ruby Threlkeld #202
20. - Engravers - - - - - Al Kirka #450
21. - A.N.A. - 1978 - Convention - - - - - Sally Kirka #16
22. - A look at Owls - - - - - Richard Townsend #365
23. - My Fantasy Trip - - - - - Joe Rakaskas #64
24. - 1978 TEC NEWS Coin - - - - - Sally Kirka #16
25. - Notes of Interest - - - - - Sally Kirka #16
26. - Potpourri by Verlee - - - - - Verlee Waterman #525
27. - Back Again - - - - - Peter Carmel #712
28. - A new Elongated Collector - - - - - Alan Weinberg #744
29. - Chinese Astrology - - - - - Chester Rogers #515
30. - Large Cent Empire State Coin - - - - - Joe Rakaskas #64
31. - Reaction - Extraction - Satisfaction - - H. Hesselthaler #656
32. - New Jersey Thanks California - - - - - Jack Wilcox #332
33. - P.N.Covers - A Fast Growing Hobby - - - - - Sally Kirka #16
34. - A letter to the Editor - - - - - Grace Morrison #312
35. - P.N.Cover Contest - - - - - Sally Kirka #16

DON'T FORGET TO KEEP THOSE ARTICLES COMING - DEADLINE AUG. 14

1978 - THE YEAR OF THE HORSE

by Chester Rogers TEC #515
Leachville, Arkansas

This year according to Chinese Astrology is the year of the Horse. The gifted Horse is predictably self-centered. Entertained and extremely hardworking, the Horse usually finds "taking a back-seat" almost too much to bear. In both business and friendship, decision making can (and should) be left to the Horse's good judgement. Even tempered as a rule, the Horse nonetheless is capable of losing his level head over easy money schemes. Horses are basically too honest to carry off shady deals with any success. Horses have conservative taste. They are not given to flashy or cross mannerisms. Above all, the Horse is a practical creature. Expediency is the by-word of a Horse's every move. Though sometimes a bit hotheaded and tactless. Horses are eminently capable of winning arguments. They come out most verbal combat unscathed.

The Horse is possessive and sensual. Horses seek perfection in all areas of life and love is no exception. Gentle Goats, venerable Tigers and different Dogs make excellent partners for the haughty Horse. Rats appeal to the Horses, but both signs have difficulty with compromise. The Pig is too easily manipulated not to be overruled by a selfish Horse and Oxen can outwork even the strongest Horse. Most important, the Horse should steer clear of alliances with Monkeys. The Monkey is too wily for the straight-dealing Horse.

Anyone wishing to buy one of these elongated coins may do so, while the supply lasts. I now have six dies made of the Chinese Astrology. For more information on this, please write to me Chester M. Rogers, P.O. Box 553, Leachville, Arkansas 72438. Don't forget the stamped -self-addressed envelope when asking for information.

NOTICE!

This year at the A.N.A. convention in Houston, Texas a new time format of holding club meetings in the morning will be tried out. Each club will be given a limited amount of time to hold their meeting and then must leave so another meeting of another club can be held.

Now TEC dues are due in January, yet there are a few members who are reinstated every year in August. They hold up our meeting to pay their dues. We appreciate them paying the dues, but why hold up our meeting for this when our time is limited. By right all dues should be sent to the secretary, not just handed in at the convention. The secretary doesn't carry his books around just for this. This has caused much confusion and mix-ups. This year we will not accept any dues at the TEC meeting and will move right along with our TEC meeting, so we don't use our precious time up on the delinquent dues payers. Those that have to pay dues, or would like to pay their dues, please pay our secretary Al Kirka while we are all sitting in the lobby. New applications are accepted anytime.

No harm intended to anyone, but we have a lot of plans for our meeting with such a short period of time given to us. A special surprise program is being planned for our TEC meeting. As of this writing I do not know the time or place that we will have our TEC meeting, so look for the time schedule in the A.N.A. program booklet. So see you all in Texas and join us in on the fun, stop in the lobby and say hello to the TEC family.

CALIFORNIA TO NEW JERSEY - - YOUR WELCOME

The Californian
from Calif.

Early last year I received a letter from Jack Wilcox asking for a little help in making a Christmas elongated coin for 1977. Jack asked if I could make a sketch of a mail truck to use on their elongated coin. No problem, or so I thought, just go out look at a mail truck and make a sketch. The next day I watched to see what the mail truck that comes by the office looks like. That day two trucks came by. Each truck was a little different. The next day two more trucks and these were different from the first two I saw. I lost count of all the different types of trucks. The trucks that deliver to the house are different from the ones that come to the office buildings.

So a quick letter back to New Jersey for more information. I thought a photo or something showing the truck that Jack drives would be more proper on their elongated coin.

In a few days I received a magazine picture of a jeep type delivery truck. Armed with the picture and my sketch pad I made a couple trips down to the Post Office parking lot. I received some questionable looks from some mail personel. Maybe they thought I was working on something to speed up deliveries.

Having the sketches done, the next job was to put everything together. The elongated coin had to be horizontal to get everything in. First came the lettering along the top and bottom edges leaving room for the border. Next the truck and mailbox were sized and positioned. the border was put on last. This is made to look like the stamp perforations in keeping with the mail theme.

Three drawings were made, each with a variation of the truck. One had "U.S. MAIL" on the side window and two with just the postal symbol on the side door. To one of these I added the little mailman figure that Jack uses on all his correspondence.

The three drawings were mailed off to Jack and in a few short weeks back came a letter with a couple of the finished elongated coins. The drawings were made proportional to the final dies so that they could be photo engraved directly with out in between steps. Even with this I was surprised at how fast Jack got his elongated coins.

Jack offered to send one of his 1977 Christmas elongated coins along with my name to anyone sending a self addressed stamped envelope. Send to: Jack Wilcox, Letter Carrier Rte. #287, North Brunswick, N.J. 08902. The elongated coin is free but SASE is required.

Those of you who don't send a request will just have to wait to find out who I am. While you are waiting, keep watching. See how many different types of mail trucks you have in your area.

Editor's Note: Who is this mystery man??? Only Sally knows Ha! Ha!

A NOTE OF THANKS

A special thanks goes to all our TEC friends that have sent us Anniversary cards and gifts. As always I'll say you shouldn't of done it but I love and appreciate it very much. My owl collection has been growing fast due to the nice owls sent in by the members. Where do you all find all these owls? You know that I have yet to get two the same from anyone. So thank you again for all the nice things that some of you nice people sent me.

ELMER ANDERSON'S BEAUTIFUL COVERS

by Sally Kirka TEC #16
Manchester, Conn.

Sitting here trying to think of an article to write, I keep going back to my Philatelic Numismatic Covers with the elongated coins in them. This is a fascinatingly growing hobby. As I buy these nice covers I find them very pretty and very interesting.

Just lately I bought a few of these covers with silk cachets from Elmer Anderson of the Pontiac Press, 35 Greenwich Ave., Warwick, Rhode Island 02886. Now if you ever saw a beautiful envelope with a picture made on silk cloth, you'd know what I mean. Here one of our own members is putting out such beautiful P.N.Covers and is selling them. Now how many members can say they have bought one from him? Take my word for it these should be in every members collection. I'm really proud of the ones I bought and I'm going to buy one of each he has to sell from now on. I can almost picture an exhibit that I will make with these P.N.Covers that I buy from Mr. Anderson. When I received my first cover in the mail I wondered why I waited so long before I ordered mine. Believe me I want to be on his list of buying others that he will make in the future.

I have two beautiful Christmas Covers I bought from him this month. Both have a nice Christmas silk cachet on the front or a picture of a Christmas scene on a piece of silk cloth on the envelope. Also a nice Christmas coin is in the envelope, yet each envelope is different.

Another outstanding cover Mr. Anderson has made is the space shuttle. That's the big plane carrying a smaller plane on its back. The elongated coin that goes with this cover has a very nice picture of the plane too. This again is a silk cachet with the picture of a plane on it. The P.N.Cover was also canceled at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida. He also has many others to buy if you are interested, so why not send that stamped self-addressed envelope for his price list. He also has many other things you may be interested in buying. So don't miss out on his beautiful coins or his beautiful P.N.Covers with elongated coins in them. Beautiful is all I can say about his work.

TEC NEWS IS GREAT

by Harold Snyder TEC #98
Kalamazoo, Mich.

With the long hard winter in the past and spring well on the way I am feeling much better after a long sick spell and am just now beginning to get caught up with my reading of the TEC NEWS. I really look forward to receiving my TEC NEWS every three months. I enjoy reading it from cover to cover and enjoy the articles the members send in. It's good to read and hear what the members are doing with their coins or collection. I especially enjoy reading the article from the President's desk by Sally Kirka, which I find is always very interesting as you know what TEC is doing. Then I read the notices which are of interest to all the members. Then comes the Notes Of Interest as a lot of little interesting items about our TEC members. Then come the articles which I read over a few times. Each have just a little something else to tell us and many times we get a lot of good information pertaining to elongated coins. Even the ads are good as you can read about some good buys of some nice elongated coins. So I for one think the TEC NEWS is great.

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TEC NEWS IS GREAT

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This past winter was a humdinger with all the snow storms we got all winter. Here I was so sick most of the time I could not get out as often as I wanted to. I could not go to the antique or flea markets, or the coin show to look for any elongated coins. After all this is the fun of looking for the elongated coins.

However I did send for many nice elongated coins from the different dealers from ads in the TEC NEWS and from others who advertise in the various coin papers that I subscribe to.

I think I must have added at least 25 very nice elongated coins to my collection this way this winter. Even if the winter was bitter and I was ill, I still feel I did not do so bad after all.

I collect just about everything in elongated coins including simulated coins. I find these are also very interesting to collect. The simulateds are really imitations of elongated coins, but offer quite a few different varieties. I have them made of lead, zinc, aluminum and copper. They make a beautiful collection of their own.

BIG BEN

by Joe Rakaskas TEC \$64
Paterson, N.J.

When I look over my collection of elongated coins, I study them very carefully looking for the chance that I will come across one that will arouse my interest to a point I will decide to look for information related to that elongated coin. Why? So that I would be more knowledgeable.

An elongated coin rolled by Lloyd E. Wagaman on a half penny of Great Britain with logo Big Ben (at top) clock tower (in center) London (at bottom). To me it was more than part of my collection. It had a tale of history. Some of its history I remembered from the studies, other facts I researched.

Big Ben, a bell weighing $13\frac{1}{2}$ tons and nine feet wide was supposedly named after Sir Benjamin Hall. He was the first commissioner of works when it was hung in the year 1858.

The name Big Ben came to be associated with the immense Westminster clock in the Parliament clock tower. The clock was made in 1854 by Fredrick Dent, clock maker to Queen Victoria. The clock was put in service May 31, 1859. The four clock dials are $22\frac{1}{2}$ feet in diameter.

The Parliament, the name given in England to the National Assembly, meaning a gathering for discussion from the French word 'Par' (to talk). The name Parliament dates back to the 13th century. The houses of Parliament stretch 940 feet along the Thames' west bank of the river. The Union Jacks flying from Victoria Tower proclaims Parliament in session.

The hours are struck on the bell by a 400 pound hammer sounding the note "E". This historical tale of Big Ben gives the elongated coin more prominence. For with the knowledge acquired one can try to imagine what life was like in England, going back to years 1854-1859.

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"THE STATUE OF LIBERTY WALKS OFF"by Jack Wilcox TEC #332
North Brunswick, N.J.

No pun intended with the title, just trying to stimulate interest in our elongated hobby.

The Dow book lists four Statue of Liberty elongated coins on page 70. I have three of those and one unlisted variety; rolled on a 1935 Lincoln cent, full base of the statue, Statue of Liberty small letter under base, dotted border. The second unlisted variety I missed by just an hour or so. This is how the story goes:

Spring means flea market time on sunny weekends, although it can be a bit cool going, at times. The only fly (or should I say flea) in the pie is the fact I work most Saturdays for Uncle Sam. We use the rotating day off system each week at my post office, which means I only have every fifth weekend off, so must confine our flea market trips to Sundays. However, Peg sometimes talks our oldest daughter, Peggy Anne, into a Saturday flea market hunt, while I'm at work. Peggy Anne collects advertising thimbles.

I deliver a mounted route in the area where we live, so manage to have lunch at home every day. This particular Saturday, Peg and Peggy Anne were back from scouting a flea market which was set up at the local Junior High School grounds. Peg told me she saw a Statue of Liberty elongated coin, but the dealer wanted \$1.50 and she just thought it was the common one. She didn't wish to spend that much if it was. I got out the Dow book and checking Peg said it was none of those. WOW!

Naturally I dashed off, finished my mail route and drove over with the mail truck to the school, to try to locate the dealer with the Statue of Liberty elongated coin. It was one of the cold days and the dealers were packing up as I arrived.

As luck would have it the very first table I checked was run by our carrier foreman. He asked "where's your mail truck?" I told him I'm on my way back to the office, just wish to check out for a particular item, will only be a few minutes. No harm done. However the dealer had packed up and left and the Statue of Liberty walked off.

Needless to say the search continues. Peg said she will remember what the dealer looks like so all we have to do is hope we run into him at another flea market, and soon!

This story sounds like the fisherman's alibi "the one that got away." The fact that on Sunday after this took place I picked up a ILL. WCE 1b rolled on a dime for \$3.00, helps take the sting out of my Saturday's failure.

The Statue of Liberty is only a short distance from our home and we have visited and climbed her many steps. For this reason the elongated holds a special interest.

Editor's Note:

Jack don't forget the nice TEC badge that Bob Luchtman made for the TEC meeting in New York two years ago. It also had the Statue of Liberty on it. There are also a few other new dies with the Statue of Liberty on them. Anyone else have a story about the Statue of Liberty elongated coin, why not write and tell us about it. Thanks for telling us about yours, Jack.

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HAWAIIAN ELONGATED COINS

by Kazuma Oyama TEC #663

Wahiawa, Hawaii

The Dottie Dow's "The Elongated Collector" book lists six elongated coins for Hawaii. Although the six elongated coins are of three different designs they all have one thing in common - the word is "Aloha" and is on all of them. The word Aloha is used as a word of welcome and it is also used to say goodbye. There are at least three songs that I know of with "Aloha" as the theme. The one I like the best spells out Aloha:

A is for always and forever
L for the laughter and smiles
O is for out in the Pacific where the angels built those isles
H is for dear old Hawaii, that's where my heart will always be
and
A just means Aloha, and Aloha means I love you.

The first Hawaiian elongated coin illustrated in Dottie Dow's book depicts a statue which is identified only as "Idol of Hawaii." However, anyone familiar with Hawaiian history will recognize the statue as that of King Kamehameha the Great who united the islands into a kingdom. The famous statue is located in Honolulu in front of the State Judiciary building which is located directly across the street from Iolani (e-o-la-nee) Palace, the only authentic royal palace in the whole United States. The elongated coin also contains the words "UA MAU KE EA O KA AINA I KA PONO" which was the motto for the kingdom of Hawaii. It was adopted as the Hawaii State motto and is part of the State Seal. The letters are erroneously grouped on the elongated coin. Also the interpretation given in the book is missing a key word - perpetuated. The motto should read "The life of the land is perpetuated in righteousness."

The second elongated coin shows a hula dancer - a symbol most often associated with Hawaii. Most of the hula skirts used by the dancers are made from the leaves of the Ti (pronounced tea) plant, botanically known as Cordyline terminalis. The leaves and roots of this plant has many other uses, including cooking of Hawaiian foods.

The third elongated coin is that of "Aloha Tower." This tower is located at Honolulu Harbor. At one time this 184 feet high ten story building was the tallest building in Honolulu but it is now dwarfed by many nearby high-rise buildings. The building houses various offices of the State's Water Transportation Facilities Division and is open to the public. Before the days of the jet air transport the "Aloha Tower" was the "beacon" that greeted visitors arriving in Honolulu Harbor via steamships.

King Kamehameha's statue was depicted on a commercially produced elongated coin which was sold in Waikiki in 1976. The hula girl was also pictured on a Waikiki elongated coin in 1976, but I have never seen any "modern" Aloha Tower. In fact I haven't even seen the original shown in Dottie Dow's book!

COINS DONATED

The free elongated coin you receive with this issue of TEC NEWS has been donated by Gus Meccarello of Poughkeepsie, New York. It is the American Heritage elongated coin with a rifle engraved on it. We thank him for his donation and hope you all like his elongated coin.

BEAM BOTTLE ELONGATED COINS

by Rita Stankiewicz TEC #69
Cheektowaga, N.Y.

Since I had a week of winter vacation, I thought I'd give a little time to putting my elongated coin collection in order. I finally got around to getting all my Beam Bottle elongated coins together and put them all in 2x2 holders and then into pages in the loose leaf binder. I am very happy to have this series of 200 elongated coins issued by the late Danny Crabb. I'm also slowly getting the rest of my collection of elongated coins in some sort of order. One of these days I'll get around to counting my collection. I think it is quite large and I try to put it in inexpensive loose leaf binders. Doesn't take very long to fill these books in no time. I also try to keep all my TEC NEWS in binders. I do this a little at a time to keep the cost down as the cost of living is so high now a days.

Getting back to the Beam Bottle elongated coins, while putting them into holders, I think I have a couple duplicate elongated coins sent instead of the ones listed and the ones I sent for. The mix up is #105 and #122. (Sorry Rita but I couldn't make out the names of the missing ones. I just couldn't make out your writing). Can anyone help me on these two numbers and what they should be?

I would like to buy these two coins if anyone has these to sell as I'd like to have the complete set of the 200 elongated coins on Danny Crabb's list. Does anyone have any duplicates of #105 and #122? I don't know if Mrs. Crabb would help me as its been a few years now since I noticed the mistake. As I just got around to putting the elongated coins into holders I just found out about the errors, if they are errors sent me. I just thought I'd ask the TEC members that have the complete set of the Beam Bottle elongated coins for their help. Were all of their elongated coins correct? Did they get all the correct elongated coins listed on Danny Crabb's list? I'm anxiously waiting for some help. My address is 58 Shanley Street, Cheektowaga, N.Y. 14206.

Editor's note: Rita your best bet is to write a letter to Mrs. Danny Crabb for the informtion. I'm sure she would help you or let you know who could. Why not give it a try.

NOTICE!

Lee Martin wrote me he is working hard on his new book on elongated coins. Right now with all the other jobs he has, this is not easy to do. At least you all know he's working on his book, but give him time. It takes time to write a book. So relax and when he has something to tell us I know Lee Martin will let us know. Believe me his book will be worth waiting for. If you haven't put your order in for the first copy of the book, please do so before it is to late. As of now Lee doesn't know what the price of the book will be. Once everything is ready all those that have put in an order for the book Lee Martin will let you know the price of the book and where to send the money. All you new TEC members make a note of this to order that book now, as you won't be sorry later. For more information, please write to Lee Martin, 949 Beaumont Ave., Beaumont, Calif. 92223. Do it now. If you found an unlisted elongated coin or you have one, send a pencil rubbing to Lee Martin now.

LET'S HELP SALLY

by Peter Carmel TEC #712
Englewood, New Jersey

Well it's that time again to get off a little bit of Chit Chat to help out Sally and give her a little less to do. How that woman can do everything to get out the quarterly TEC NEWS, keep up with her societies and hobbies, a home and husband, correspond with lots and lots of members and still take care of her health, is beyond me! She is far more active than a woman half her age. Sally, I do wish you would spring for a different picture of yourself. I'm sure that one on the front cover doesn't do you justice. Let's see a real glamorous one. (Your right Peter as in person I do look better as last year a few TEC members kept calling me Dottie. Wow to even look a little like her is something.) Signed Dottie Dow, I mean Sally.

Now about elongated coins. Sally sent me one of the covers with a postmark from Georgia, and an elongated coin showing both sides through the envelope. That was a beaut and now the bug has struck me and now I want to collect these covers. This is the first and only one I've ever seen, but Sally tells me there are really great ones that are made by different people. I'm now trying to make contact so that I can purchase some for my own collection. Someday I might even try my hand at it, of course the elongated coin and postmark should both be on the same subject to pull the whole thing together.

By the time everyone receives their copy of the TEC NEWS. we will all be thinking of the outdoors and summer vacations, swimming, Bar-B-ques and loafing around, just remember "Our Gal Sal" working away at the next edition of the TEC NEWS. It should take you a few minutes to put an article on a half or a full page together for the next edition. Try it, you might find you have hidden talent. It really isn't hard, just write down the things you think of, it could be about almost anything, if its about elongated coins. Tell how you got started, what you like and dislike about them, how you store your collection, what kind of coins you have and do you sell your duplicates. Maybe you are looking for something special and you may be pleasantly surprised that someone writes you and tells you they just have what your looking for. If you have something to sell let us all know about it. Letting us know where you found a particular elongated coin always makes good reading and its easy to fill half a page. Its also not much harder to cover a full page. The elongated coin you get for writing your article, is a lovely gift for such an easy task as writing your article. Besides showing your article in print to friend is always good for a happy feeling.

You can always tell us in an article what your plans are for the summer. Members are always interested in new places and how other people enjoy themselves and what they do in their spare time. It gives them ideas and it make such good reading that there are literally hundreds of magazines and books published each year about traveling. Maybe one of the big travel magazines will sign you up and you could start a whole new career as a travel journalist. Think of it.

So don't count your words so that you just make it, make your story interesting. Tell us about the elongated coins you might have discovered while you were traveling around. Do you know any place that has elongated coins for sale, that we don't know about. We are happy to learn and want to learn as much as we can about the elongated coins.

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LET'S HELP SALLY

(cont. from page 26)

After reading through this copy of the TEC NEWS, you should discover many things about elongated coins you can write about. Its full of many good ideas. Don't be shy, we don't even care if there are errors in spelling as we are not professionals. Even the greatest writers make mistakes in spelling and grammar. If you pick up any old copy of Shakespeare, you'll see he, or they, weren't such hot spellers in those days. So join the club and give us your views, we will be happy to read your article.

As Sally has said so many times, if you want better articles, write one yourself and help the club out. Right---!

BEAUTIFUL! BEAUTIFUL BUT WHO BELIEVES IT

In answer to Peter Carmel's article I agree I need a new picture of myself for the front page of the TEC NEWS. If and when I find the time I will have some new pictures made. In the mean time I hope you like the picture of me on the side of this article. This is the way I looked in my younger days. They used to call me Zsa Zsa, before. Ha! Ha! Oh, if dreams would come true!

I hope to bring a good camera with me to Texas and I hope to take as many pictures as I can of as many TEC members as I can. If they come out good, I'll have them all screened and we will have them put in the TEC NEWS. This way others will have an idea of what some of our members look like and who we are. We did this a few years ago and the members liked that idea. It was voted in already that the TEC editor could do this and TEC would pay for the film etc. So watch out as I may tell you to smile for Sally's camera.



T.E.C. EDITOR'S PLEA

I am your TEC Editor;
I look to you for news.
Most anything you offer
I'm almost sure to choose.

Sometimes it is a struggle
To put it all together;
You give and take a little bit
Like good and stormy weather.

by George Alexander TEC #729
Arlington, Va.

I listen very carefully,
For news I make a search:
But when I come up empty-handed
It leaves me in a lurch.

If you've got something worthy
For someone else to read,
You're the one I'm looking for.
For you, I have a need.

HELP! HELP! HELP!

Any roller having new issues of coins to sell, why not tell our members about them. Many of our members are interested in buying your elongated coins. Remember the deadline for articles is August 14th and that means the article should be at my house at that date and not after. All late articles will be put in the January issue. No articles will be accepted after the deadline for the October issue. So send them in now. Start thinking of your TEC article now and send it in early. Let me get a couple days of fishing down the lake this summer.

UNLISTED DIRECTORY "ERRORS"

by Douglas Fairbanks Sr. TEC #623
Jamesville, N.Y.

For quite some time, I had taken exception to those of the recorded issues of the elongated coins in the Callander-Wagaman Unlisted Directory.

I had one piece in my collection and know of six others (which I now own) all holed at 12 except one. None had an "A", in U.S.A.
No. 2 - N.Y.n.y.5:

I had one piece in my collection and knew of one other (extremely high priced), both of which had a dotted border.

No. 3 - ILL-CPIE 41a:

I could not see why this issue was listed as such, when the Dow Book already had a 41a.

Not wishing to challenge the expertise of two long time collectors, but not knowing for sure whether I had variations of same, or if these were a printers error, I finally wrote to Mr. Lloyd E. Wagaman, who incidently is a good mail-friend. His immediate reply was in effect that he had only compiled the listings from previous NEWS issues. So, I fired off a letter to Mr. Robert Callander, another good friend.

I have taped his type-written answer, the referred to photo, his permission to use all of the same in a TEC NEWS article, to benefit all elongated collectors to the bottom of this article, as written to Sally Kirka, Editor.

As regards to the questions on the Unlisted Directory, I can answer the following:

CAL-xxx6 This description was gotten from a picture sent by another collector. See the attached. I was careless in my figuring out the detail and thought that the "A" in Army was the "A" in "U.S.A.". This was my mistake.

N.Y.n.y.5 I do not have this piece, but got the description from a rubbing which someone sent to me. It was difficult to make out the type of border and I must have guessed wrong.

ILL-CPIE 41a. This is actually a piece which is identical to 41a, except for the date being changed to "4". Perhaps a number of 41a-x should have been used.

No, I do not have any objections to your publication of my corrections to my Unlisted Directory. This will be fine and might help other collectors.

Editor's note: The picture you sent in can not be used as they were not screened. See note on page 3 about this. As far as the pictures of the coins, they are very good. I will keep them for awhile and if I ever have any pictures screened I will have these done too. Thank-you for sending the pictures.

Congratulations

Congratulations to James L. Betton Jr. of Santa Monica, Calif. on receiving the Numismatic Ambassador Award from Russell Rulau, managing editor of World Coin News, on behalf of its sponsor, the Numismatic News. Its nice to hear that one of our TEC members has received that special award. We are very proud of you Jim.

JUST THINKING

by Cliff Roth TEC #595
No. Hollywood, Calif.

Having just finished getting the talk and slides ready for a program on elongated coins for the Northrop Recreation Club in Hawthorne, California, I had promised Sally Kirka to write this article for the next issue of TEC NEWS.

As of now I'm a new roller of elongated coins, president of the Los Angeles Coin Club, member of the Numismatic Association of Southern California and also a member of some 16 other coin clubs that I visit when I can, you wonder what becomes of the time.

In the time I have left I will try to roll some elongated coins for the American Numismatic Association's Convention, which will be in Texas this year. Will also try to make a P.N.Cover (with owl) for Houston as our president Sally Kirka has suggested we do. If we all help on this and sit down and design a P.N.Cover we will have a lot to talk about at the TEC meeting in Houston, Texas. Remember that the president can't do it all and your help is needed to make this project a success. I bet many would like to see what others can do in making P.N.Covers.

More and more people are getting into collecting elongated coins and there is much more we as TEC members can do to help the elongated coin hobby. We can exhibit every chance we get, or give a program on elongated coins when ever we can. Give it a try as you may find that people are interested in our elongated hobby. If you have some duplicate elongated coins, don't hide them, but give, trade or sell them to someone you know is interested. I try to make a point to see that a Junior is given at least one elongated coin at the conventions here in California.

Just thinking about the fun we will have at the ANA convention in Houston, Texas, visiting with Sally and Al and the rest of the gang in the lobby of the hotel. Just thinking of all the help received from the TEC NEWS on the little things on how some of the members roll the elongated coins and some of the short cuts they take. Just thinking of Dottie Dow and her Handshake elongated coins that she gives out at the conventions, so had to think what I could do to start a series with the same purpose in mind. So if YOU say hello to me in Houston, Texas you will receive the first "WE MET" elongated coin of the series. Just Thinking, I had better quit Thinking and get back to work. See you in Houston, Texas.

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KEWPIES FOREVER

by Marie F. Trinny TEC #37
Yountville, Calif.

The creator of the Kewpie, Rose O'Neill, was born in Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania on June 25, 1874. In 1893 she went to the St. Regis school in New York for three years, to study drawing and illustrating. Her folks had moved to the Ozark mountains, approximately ten miles from Branson, Missouri where she, after a few years, built her own home.

Rose O'Neill's first Kewpie drawing appeared in the Ladies Home Journal in December 1909, and a few years later in the Women's Home Companion. Drawings and verses started in the Good Housekeeping Magazine in 1914. The Delineator Magazine produced a short series for about six months!

Dolls were first produced in bisque, in Germany, in 1912 and appeared in stores in 1913. Later the Kewpie dolls were made in celluloid or composition. Years later some were made of wood fibre and some of plaster. In the later years they were made of vinyl. There are many imitations and reproductions that are still being now produced.

Rose O'Neill died on April 6, 1944, at the age of 69. Each year the International Rose O'Neill Club has its "Kewpiesta", which is held in Branson, Missouri, in her memory. The 10th anniversary of the Kewpiesta, was held this April. This coming June, the California Rose O'Neill Association will hold their convention at the Host International Hotel in Sacramento, California.

The first Kewpie elongated coin was the "Kick-off-Koin", made in 1977 and shows a Kewpie in a kicking position. These were made on a few dimes and cents. This year there are (16) made on silver dimes, (29) on clad dimes and 180 on pennies. There were 50 of these pennies that were holed. These holed coins were to be used as jewelry, if desired. These elongated coins feature the "Thinker", a Kewpie in a sitting position and is a very prominent well known pose of the Kewpies.

Mr. Robert W. Luchtman of Steamboat, Nevada, well known engraver engraved the die and rolled the coins for me. Anyone wishing to buy the elongated coins, they are a dollar each for an elongated penny and the clad dimes are a \$1.50 each, plus a stamped self-addressed envelope. Only a few of the first elongated Kewpie pennies are left also at a \$1.00 each. Anyone wishing to send for the coins can do so by writing to Mrs. Marie F. Trinny, P. O. Box 2625, Yountville, California 94599.

